

## SIGN REGULATIONS

### Old Town Fairfax Historic Overlay District

Please note this information is intended to be used as a general guide only.  
More detailed information can be found in the City of Fairfax Zoning Code.

<b>Sign Type</b>	<b>Area<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Setback</b>	<b>Maximum Height</b>	<b>Other</b>
Wall	1.00 sq. ft./linear ft. building frontage; 0.50 sq.ft./lineal ft. of building face which is not defined as a bldg. frontage	N/A	3 1/2 feet above the finished floor level of the second story	
Projecting	8 sq. ft.	May project 4 ft. or 1/3 width of sidewalk, whichever is less	No higher than window sill of second story unless such sign is adjacent to a second story exterior entrance; 8 ft. min. ground clearance required	
Window	25 percent of area of window in which it is displayed	N/A	N/A	One permanent sign permitted per window
Freestanding, Hanging <sup>2</sup>	8 sq. ft.	Minimum building setback	12 ft.	
Ground-mounted	8 sq. ft.	Minimum building setback	6 ft.	
Sandwich Board	6 sq. ft.	N/A	N/A	Must be located on private property and must not impede pedestrian flow
Canopy	N/A	N/A	N/A <sup>1</sup>	May only indicate the name of the building or tenant
Flag (commercial)	24 sq. ft. each building; counted as part of building-mounted signage for purpose of calculating permitted area	The anchoring device shall not project more than 5 ft. from the surface of the wall.	No part of the flag shall extend above the roofline or 20 ft. above grade, whichever is less. Each flag shall maintain an 8 ft. min. clearance above grade, and each supporting pole shall be located in such a manner as not to impede the free flow of pedestrian traffic.	Content shall be limited to a graphic, emblem and/or three words or less. Commercial flags may be used in addition to flags specified in subsection 110-186(4) and shall be permitted on freestanding poles.

<sup>1</sup> Total cumulative sign area may not exceed one square foot for each linear foot of building frontage and 0.50 square feet for each linear foot of building face not defined as building frontage and meeting the qualifications contained in subsection 110-180(b)(4); provided, however, that each detached building shall be permitted at least 15 square feet of building-mounted signage. (Canopy signs located on the first floor of a building indicating only the name of a building or tenant shall not be counted toward the maximum permitted coverage.)

<sup>2</sup> All other types of pylon signs are prohibited.